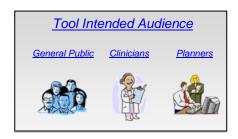
# **Objective 21: Reduce Chlamydia Infections**

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## Information, Facts, and Figures

CDC Chlamydia Fact Sheet CDC fact sheet on the prevalence, education and

transmission of Chlamydia.

**US Prevention Services** 

Task Force

Recommendations

Links to the US Preventive Services Task Force

recommendations on screening for Chlamydia infections.

**Group-Based** Comprehensive Risk

**Reduction Interventions** 

Summary of the Community Preventive Services Task Force recommendations for prevention of HIV/AIDS, other STI's and pregnancy in adolescents.

National Chlamydia

Coalition

Provides information and resources to prevent and treat Chlamydia, especially among women aged 25 and

younger.



# Maryland Services and Hotlines

Maryland Community **Services Locator** 

Provides resources for locating services, including HIV/ STD testing sites.



### **Promising Practices**

**Expedited Partner Therapy** 

EPT is a practice in which a practitioner treats the sex partners of patients with STDs without first doing a medical evaluation. The practitioner gives the patient the treatment to deliver to his/her sex partners (also referred to as "patient-delivered partner therapy").



Minnesota Testing Program

This plan targeted health care centers serving high-risk populations to pay for lab tests and screening.



Sistering, Informing, Healing, Living, Empowering (SiHLE) A skills training intervention to reduce risky sex behavior among African American adolescent females. Involves small group discussions, role-plays, and cognitive rehearsals to build confidence in initiating safe-sex conversations, negotiating for safer sex, and refusing unsafe sex encounters. It also teaches condom-use skills



Get Yourself Tested Campaign

and the importance of healthy relationships. Provides information to increase public awareness of sexually transmitted diseases and prevention.



#### **Toolkit**

<u>Sexual Health Education</u> <u>Programs</u> Includes information and resources for effective sex education among youth.

Advocates for Youth
Parent's Sex Ed Center

Provides resources for parents to communicate with children regarding their knowledge, values, and attitudes related to sexual activity, sexuality, and healthy relationships. Includes answers to parents' common questions.



Clinical Reporting Requirements

Provides information for clinicians regarding HIV/ STD testing and reporting requirements and partner notification. This tool also includes information surrounding prevention, risk reduction counseling, and care.



<u>Kaiser Family Foundation—</u> <u>Sexual Health</u> Links to the Kaiser Family Foundation on teenage sex practices, teenage pregnancy and facts regarding STDs.



**Condom Use** 

Links visitors to information about condom use to prevent the spread of sexually transmitted infections.



Talking with your Doctor about Sexual Health

Provides tips to discuss sexual health concerns with your health care provider.



Talking with your Kids about Sexual Health

Provides resources for parents to communicate with children about sexual activity, sexuality, and healthy relationships. Includes answers to parents' common questions.



HIV and Sexual Health Education Programs

Includes information and resources for effective sex education among youth.



Talk to Your Kids About Sex

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services tool for increasing communication between adolescents and caregivers. Includes tips for conversation starters and resources for accurate information.

